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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Harold B. Crapo, Jr.

March 26, 2009

Compatriots, our most important task this month is to muster the troops for the SAR JROTC award presentations taking place at the 13 High Schools. All Manatee County schools are in need of Compatriots to award medals. Honoring these great young people who are the nation's future is a special honor for Compatriots. Please call me to be a presenter 1-941-756-7272
Names of the Schools and date of their award program is provided below.

SAR Police and Law Enforcement awards will be held during our April 10 luncheon meeting. 134 police officers were killed in line of duty in 2008 and so far in this year 35 have been killed. Thousands of men and women in Law Enforcement are seriously injured in line of duty so they are never able to work again.

FLSSAR President Ron Toops has asked every SAR Chapter in the State of Florida to support the Center for Advancing American History "CAAH" fund -raising effort. Since it is in our SAR Charter's mission to bring Early American History back into the classrooms nation-wide, it would sure help the effort if we could *all* support the CAAH in any way possible.

Therefore, let us individually consider a minimum of \$5 which at 100% participation would provide \$650 that the CAAH does not now have. If every chapter then followed our Saramana example, the CAAH would end up with over \$1,000,000 for the "Bricks and Mortar" effort. All checks, large or small, should be made out to, "[The SAR Foundation, Inc.](#)" and mailed to our [Treasurer, Victor McMurry](#).

JROTC schools needing Compatriots to present the medals

<i>Bayshore HS</i>	<i>Date: 13 May 2009</i>	<i>Time: 5:30PM</i>
<i>Booker HS</i>	<i>Date: 14 May 2009</i>	<i>Time: 7:00PM</i>
<i>Braden River HS</i>	<i>Date: 30 April 2009</i>	<i>Time: 7:00PM</i>
<i>Lakewood Ranch HS</i>	<i>Date: 08 May 2009</i>	<i>Time: 6:30PM</i>
<i>***Lemon Bay HS</i>	<i>Date: 11 May 2009</i>	<i>Time: 5:30PM</i>
<i>Manatee HS</i>	<i>Date 14 May 2009</i>	<i>Time: 6:00PM</i>
<i>***North Port HS</i>	<i>Date: 06 May 2009</i>	<i>Time: 6:00PM</i>
<i>Palmetto HS</i>	<i>Date: 12 April 2009</i>	<i>Time: 12:45PM</i>
<i>River View HS</i>	<i>Date: 06 May 2009</i>	<i>Time: 6:00PM</i>
<i>Southeast HS</i>	<i>Date TBA</i>	<i>Time</i>
<i>Sarasota HS</i>	<i>Date: 01 May 2009</i>	<i>Time: 6:00PM</i>
<i>***S. M. A</i>	<i>Date: 30 April 2009</i>	<i>Time: 6:00PM.</i>
<i>***Venice HS</i>	<i>Date: 15 May 2009</i>	<i>Time: 5:00PM</i>

****Already assigned by print date*

Fraternally,

Harold B. Crapo, Jr.

WORDS of WISDOM



The Random House Dictionary of the English Language states

Americanism: (1) Devotion to or preference for the United State of America and its institutions.. (2) A custom, trait or thing peculiar to the U.S. or its citizens. Editor- would that be freedom, independence and government by the people and for the people?

Capitalism: An economic system in which investment in and ownership of the means of production, distribution, and exchange of wealth is made and maintained chiefly by private individuals or corporations, especially as contrasted to cooperatively or state-owned means of wealth. Editor-would that be our right to benefit from our own hard work or our own business?

Secularism: (1) Secular spirit or tendency, especially a system of political or social philosophy that rejects all forms of religious faith and worship. (2) The view that public education and other matters of civil policy should be conducted without the introduction of a religious element.

Socialism: (1) A theory or system of social organization which advocates the vesting of ownership and control of the means of production, capital, land, etc., in the community as a whole. (2) Procedure or practice in accordance with this theory. (3) In Marxist theory the stage following capitalism in the transition of a society to communism characterized by the imperfect implementation of collectivist principles.

Totalitarianism: (1) The practices and principles of a totalitarian regime: the totalitarianism of Nazi Germany. (2) Absolute control by the state or a governing branch of a highly centralized institution: Totalitarianism aims at suppressing initiative as well as individualism. (3) The character or quality of an autocratic or authoritarian individual of the father in their patriarchal household

Editor: Which of these did our Patriot ancestors fight for and our Founders Fathers have in mind when writing the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution. You know but it is shameful how many Americans cannot answer correctly. Phillip H. Tarpley, Editor

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT

March 27, 2009

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The monthly meeting of the Board of Governors of Saramana Chapter, FLSSAR convened on Wednesday, March 18, 2009 at the Church of the Redeemer, Sarasota. FL.

Vice President Charles Riegle presiding in place of President's absence due to his serious back problems confining him to bed. The presiding officer having a quorum present, called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. The following Compatriot members of the Board were present: Riegle, McMurry, Huff, Tarpley, Grant, Lowe, Bradley, Douglas, Hunt, Cornell P/M Jack Ashcraft was also present. Compatriot Bradley gave the Invocation. The meeting having completed all business before it, adjourned at 3:55 PM

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: The President presented in writing his report on the GWB luncheon.

Written minutes of the February meeting were presented and motion presented and passed to accept minutes. The Secretary not being present because of his personal issues was authorized by vote of BOG time off to take care of his issues. The minutes were taken by Lester Hunt and Billie Lowe.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer's written report also presented and accepted, subject to audit. The written Trustee report concerning the Operating Trust Fund was presented to all members who read same and a discussion ensued.

Vic McMurry at request of Tarpley reported the adverse effect of the liquation of stocks of our Operating Trust Fund by the Trustees. He had called a meeting of the Trustees to discuss future plans that resulted in the liquidation vote he opposed. Riegle and Tarpley presented the issue to board members to have a balanced discussion as to an action of the BOG to remedy said problem. The BOG voted to take action as the governing body of this chapter.

Past President Tarpley reported the FLSSAR BOM is to vote on a motion to reduce from four to three BOM's a year (dropping summer meeting) The BOG voted to approve this motion and vote same at April 24-25 BOM. He also reported on April's Law Enforcement nominations for awards and the upcoming JROTC award programs in April and May.

The March 13 meeting for the Fire and Safety Awards program was another good meeting as members got to meet and honor our local Fire-fighters. Please plan to attend the next meeting April 10 at our new location as we honor those brave men and women of Law Enforcement. Boy Scout Chairman reported good news on Eagle Scout and Boy Scouts.

Billie West Lowe Membership and Publicity Chairman reported several new members he and Registrar Tarpley are processing. Commander Bradley reported CG to be at Manatee Historical Park and will have a recruiting table present.

Secretary Pro-Tem, *Lester K Hunt*

Members Bulletin Board & Special Events

NEW MEMBERS

Membership Chairman Billie West Lowe is doing a great job seeking out prospects. **DAR** is a great source for new members. Please join Compatriots Lowe and Tarpley in the search for new members. It is a very important effort. Please give it your full attention. Talk to your friends in DAR to recruit their husbands, sons or grandsons as eligible new members.

Registrar & Genealogist Phil Tarpley is requesting our members to provide copies of their Record Copy and any of supplemental Patriots for the Registrar's Record Book. Many are missing from the member's files. We want to know all of the identified Chapter Patriots.

SARAMANA CHAPTER'S NATHANIEL GREENE COLOR GUARD UNIT

Recent Events of Color Guard Members

Manatee Village Historical Park
Saturday morning and afternoon on
March 21, 2009 CG members Cushing,
Ashcraft, Williams & Bradley set up camp

The Last naval Battle of the American
Revolution memorial event at Port
Canaveral March 6-7 The members
attending were Guardsmen President Crapo,
Past President Tarpley and Sgt-at- Arms
Reynolds Cushing. Tarpley was the Flag-
bearer for the FLSSAR Sons of Liberty
Brigade presenting and posting the Colors

Happy Birthday greetings to the
Saramana Compatriots born this month.

APRIL

Aries

Your Virtue is Courage and
a Lover of Freedom

James Stevenson Devitt, Jr.
James "Chris" Dunn
Maj. James Carroll Dunn, Jr.
John Paul Goodson
James Hatfield Granger
William Davis Morgan
John Douglas s Woolever

**May your days be productive & happy
and your nights peaceful with rest**



Photo by Billie Lowe

Photos by Muriel Cushing of President Harold Crapo below and at left Past President Tarpley



Photos from the Fire and Safety Awards Luncheon



All of the Fire and Safety medal awardees with Chairman Phil Tarpley and President Crapo
Photo by Billie West Lowe

Chapter Meeting Notice

April 10, 2009 11:45 A.M. is our next chapter luncheon

April 15, 2009 is the next BOG meeting
Church of the Redeemer, 222 S. Palm Ave. Sarasota

Special Notice of our new meeting location

Holiday Inn Sarasota-Lido Beach on the Beach
233 Ben Franklin Drive, Sarasota
7th floor Banquet Room

Directions: From (Rt. 41) Tamiami Trail & John Ringling Blvd. Travel west across Bridge toward Lido Beach about 3 miles. Follow the signs directing you to Lido Beach from Armand Circle along Ringling Blvd. to the (Y) at the end. Bear to the left onto Ben Franklin Drive for a couple blocks. The Holiday Inn is on the left. Turn left, the parking lot is in the rear. The ramp into the building goes directly to the express elevator to the Seventh floor only, our table is there.

Luncheon Notice Meal Selection

Luncheon Meeting Reservation information

12:00 Noon and Cash Bar available 11:30 AM

Please leave home early to arrive by 11: 30 -11:45 AM

Call Harold Crapo only for phone reservations

1- 941-756-7272

If not available leave a message and your phone number

E-mail: Phil at mp18pht@verizon.net only for your reservations

You pay at door on your arrival -- Please give all names of your guests

Call or e-mail to make reservations by 4:30 PM Tuesday afternoon April 7, 2009

Note this is the cut off time for this luncheon's reservations

Late reservation cause problems but showing up without making them causes more problems for the hotel kitchen preparing and the wait staff serving everyone on time. The hotel is firm on no changes to increase meals after 10: 00 AM Wednesday morning

Please indicate your entrée selections:

_____ **Sanibel Salmon Salad:** - \$20 = _____

Seared Salmon Filet on a Bed of Field Greens and Baby Spinach with Vidalia onion Marmalade, Gorgonzola Cheese, Candied Walnuts and Raspberry Vinaigrette

_____ Baked Vegetable Lasagna - \$20 = _____

_____ Vegetarian - Entrée Size Salad with a Fruit cup - \$20 = _____

All entrees include beverage, rolls, salad and dessert

PLEASE HAVE CORRECT CHANGE AT DOOR. WE DO NOT HAVE A CHANGE FUND.

Vic McMurry, Treasurer

To cancel your reservation; It must be done by calling the Secretary by 9.30 AM Wednesday morning before the Friday Luncheon or you are responsible and billed for your meals. The chapter has to pay when your meal is ordered whether you come or not. Your full cooperation is very important.